

As stated in the specification (page 14 [0013] [0014]) the method determines the amount of charge Q that can actually be drawn by determining a characteristic variable. The characteristic variable (H) being defined as,
H = Van- Vab or H = Van : Vab when battery current is constant (page 12 [0047]).

While the Applicants agree that the allowed claims recite a combination of subject matter that is patentable over the cited references, the Applicants do not necessarily agree with or acquiesce in the statement of reasons for allowance given by the Examiner. Moreover, the Applicants note that the recited subject matter as well as various other subject matter and/or combinations of subject matter may be patentable for other reasons than those given by the Examiner. The Applicants expressly reserve the right to set forth additional and/or alternative reasons for patentability and/or allowance in connection with the present Application or in any other future proceeding.

REMARKS

These Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104 are intended to be responsive to the Notice of Allowance dated August 25, 2005.

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